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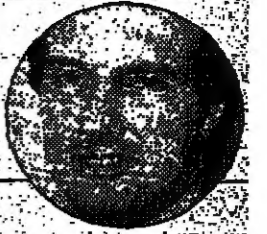
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Selection in schools 'to return'

Move to boost flagging opt-outs

John Carvel
Education Editor

THE Government is considering abandoning a central plank of comprehensive education to allow all state schools to select their intake by interviewing children and parents to assess suitability.

In a move to boost the flagging momentum of the policy to encourage schools to opt out of local authority control, proposals for scrapping the ban on selective admissions policies will be published for consultation next week by Gillian Shephard, the Education and Employment Secretary.

She is expected to argue that the measure would allow all schools greater freedom to run their affairs. In practice, selection is likely to be taken up mainly by the 1,100 grant-maintained schools which have opted for self-governing status and want more efficient methods of rationing their places.

Under the present rules, most schools are not allowed to give preferential access to high-achieving pupils. According to a Government circular updated in 1983, they should not require pupils to sit a test or use any other form of selection procedure.

"Schools which do not select on the basis of ability or aptitude should in general avoid using reports or interviews as part of their formal admission arrangements, except in the case of church schools where reports and interviews may help the school to understand the family's religious background... Governing bodies may otherwise be vulnerable to criticism

that judgments about a child's suitability were based on social, ethnic or academic considerations," the current circular says.

The London Oratory, a grant-maintained school chosen by Tony Blair for his son, Euan, was accused of operating a policy of social selection by interviewing parents. Roy Hattersley, Labour's former deputy leader, led a rebellion at the party conference in October against coming to terms with self-governing schools. He argued that social selection was anathema to the comprehensive ideal.

The Government may now be hoping that permitting social selection will play well with middle class voters and may prise open splits within Labour on an issue which has become closely identified with Mr Blair.

Mrs Shephard's consultation paper will propose scrapping its guidance on admissions to allow schools to compete more fiercely by having greater control over their own destiny. It is also expected to remove restrictions obliging grant-maintained schools to seek Government approval before changing catchment areas.

Schools would have a free hand to introduce overt selection procedures to admit up to 10 per cent of pupils by aptitude in subjects such as music, art, drama, sport and technology. They could also amend policy on admitting siblings or the children of governors and teachers without ministerial approval.

The proposals may take some of the political sting out of Mrs Shephard's announcement next week that the Government is to drop plans to allow church schools a fast track for opting out without having to ballot parents. The

idea was vociferously opposed by the Anglican and Roman Catholic churches.

The Grant Maintained Schools and Nursery Bill is expected to offer little extra inducement for opting out. Measures will be included to allow grant-maintained schools to borrow against their assets, but this is unlikely to revive the momentum of the policy which Mr Major wants to be a main Conservative theme at the next election.

According to data from Local Schools Information, a council-funded monitor of the grant-maintained sector, only 17 schools voted last term for self-governing status.

Mrs Shephard would not need legislation to change the rules allowing schools to select pupils by interview. The proposal could therefore be used to give a pre-election fillip to Mr Major's objective of giving self-governing status to all schools.

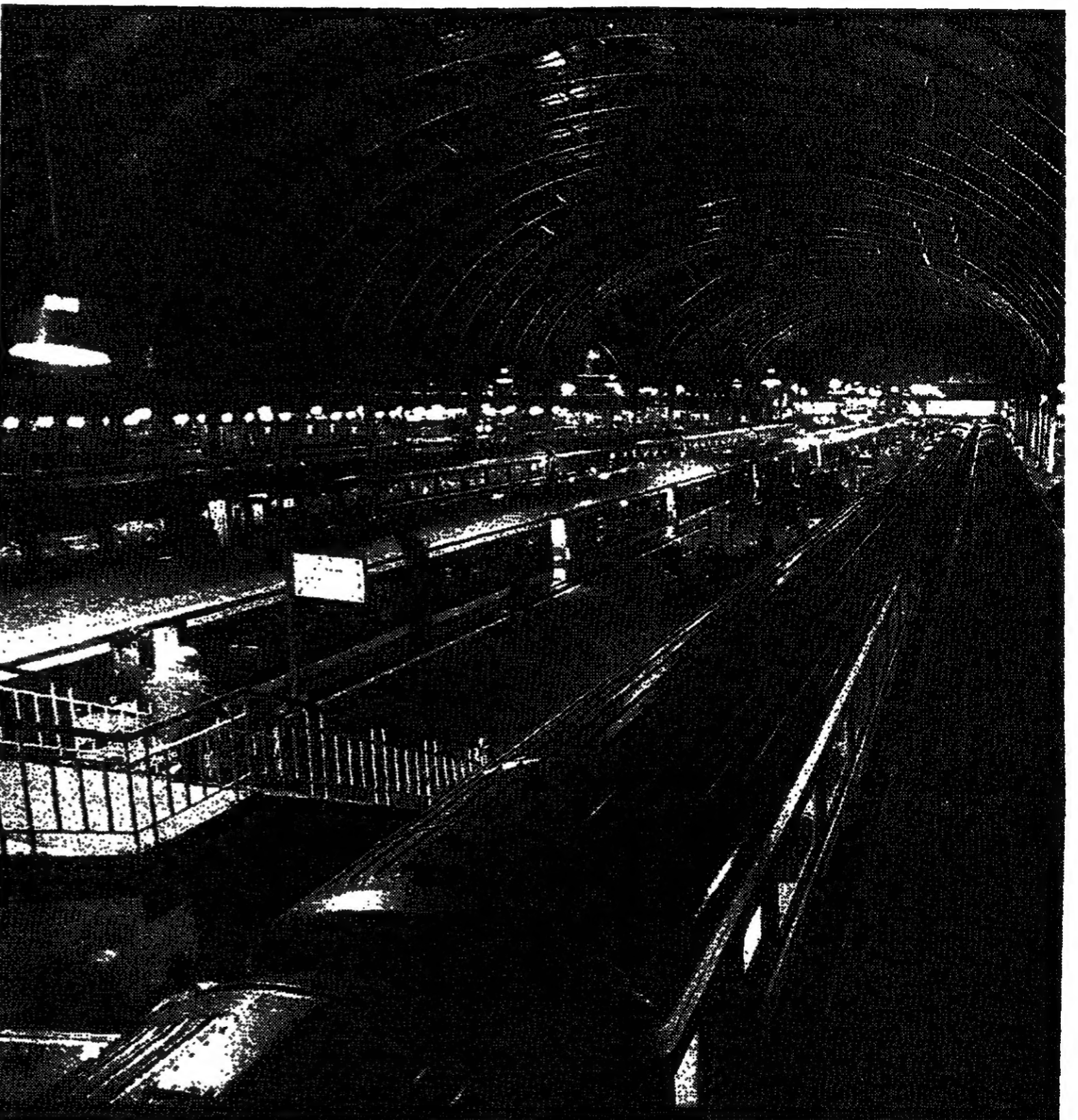
In September he offered head teachers of grant-maintained schools "a substantial expansion of your freedom to make sensible choices between pupils in the way you think best".

Alan Parker, education officer of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, said Mrs Shephard's proposal was an insidious restoration of selection which would be even worse than the 11 plus.

"They are not proposing selection on the basis of objective criteria, but a much more nebulous social selection. It is difficult to see how giving a power to head teachers which cannot easily be checked will be in the interests of parents and children. The practical effect of giving maverick head teachers their heads is likely to cause problems and it may become increasingly hard in some areas for parents to educate their children locally."

Andrew Turner, director of the GM Schools Foundation, said any policy which reduced the obligation to apply to the Government for trivial changes in admissions policy was welcome.

Review demanded after survey finds overcharging in 9 out of 10 cases



Tickets to ride... but 250 inquiries by researchers produced a total bill of £13,013 instead of a 'neutral advice' amount of £7,591. PHOTOGRAPH: MARTIN ARGLES

Rail companies 'bilking travellers over tickets'

Rebecca Smithers
Political Correspondent

RAIL passengers are being overcharged by the newly independent train companies in nine cases out of 10, according to a Consumers' Association survey which has given fresh impetus to the controversy over the Government's privatisation programme.

The findings will renew Tory backbenchers' fears about the sell-off, risking a Commons defeat for John Major in one of the first big tests of his dwindling majority in the wake of Emma Nicholson's defection.

The results of the investigation, published in *Which?* magazine tomorrow, show that the 25 train companies, many of which are now competing for passengers on similar routes since the break-up of British Rail for privatisation, are misleading passengers by failing to provide neutral advice on ticket sales.

A team of researchers bought 57 tickets for five routes, of which 54 were more expensive than the cheapest fare, and in some cases invalid tickets were issued.

In more than 250 inquiries, the total quoted or charged came to £13,013 whereas if neutral sales advice had been followed the figure would have been £7,591.

The association, which until now has adopted a largely neutral stance on the

sell-off, called on the Transport Secretary, Sir George Young, to halt the franchising to review the "deeply flawed" ticket sales.

It concluded that passengers were being misled by the competing companies, which appeared to be prepared to flout licensing conditions for "commercial gain", or had "undertrained or incompetent" staff. Sir George admitted that the survey gave cause for concern but claimed the problem predated privatisation.

However, the Transport Minister, John Watts, said he had asked British Rail's chairman, John Welsby, to carry out an investigation. Yesterday Labour backed the association's call for the sell-off to be halted, and plans to capitalise on the concerns of Tory backbenchers by forcing a rail debate in the Commons in the coming weeks.

The left-wing Conservative MP for Harrow East, Hugh Dykes, said: "The crucial and essential objective which the Secretary of State must be able to guarantee the public is that comprehensive through-ticketing will survive any change in ownership."

British Rail said the report was misleading and unrepresentative, and said that in the four months since the survey was carried out, the companies had undertaken a huge amount of extra training.

Labour's transport spokesman, Brian Wilson, said: "This is a devastating report which goes to the heart of rail privatisation. We have warned from the start that the benefits of an integrated network would disappear if the system is fragmented among dozens of operators. None of them has a loyalty to ensuring the best deal for passengers throughout the network."

Fair's fare?

London to Bath return to arrive by 10.30am:
Competing operators: Great Western, South Wales & West, Cheapest fare: South Wales & West, £23.28; Highest fare offered, £33

Birmingham to London return to arrive by 10.30am:
Competing operators: InterCity West Coast, InterCity Cross Country, Chiltern Railways, Cheapest fare: Chiltern Railways, £22; Highest fare offered, £27

Carmarthen & Swansea day return to London to arrive by 11.15am:
Competing operators: Great Western, South Wales & West, Cheapest fare, £38; Highest fare offered, £38

Ian Brady to challenge press accountability

Owen Bowcott

IAN BRADY, the Moors murderer detained in Ashworth maximum security hospital, has been granted legal aid to launch the first ever High Court challenge of a Press Complaints Commission ruling.

An application for judicial review of the commission's decision — on an article in the Sun last July — has been lodged by his solicitor and a judge's decision is expected within two weeks.

If successful, the challenge could prove to be an unexpected test case for the public accountability of both the PCC and the newspaper industry.

Brady, who attempted to sue the Sunday Express for malicious falsehood in 1994, alleges that an article which appeared in the Sun accompanied by a picture taken with a tele-photo lens was an invasion of his privacy. The story was head-



Ian Brady: invasion of privacy complaint

lined: Well-fed face of evil child murderer Ian Brady.

The original complaint to the PCC was made by the Special Hospitals Service Authority chief executive Charles Kaye, who claimed the story breached the PCC code of practice.

The indistinct photograph of Brady at a window, taken from a public vantage point outside the

perimeter of the building, is alleged to have constituted an invasion of privacy, and harassment, and to have contradicted part of the code requiring journalists to identify themselves to officials when approaching hospitals.

In his submission, the Sun claimed Brady had forfeited all rights to privacy because he was a convicted child killer. Public interest demanded that the press monitored the position of such individuals.

The PCC's adjudication last autumn in effect upheld the Sun's defence. "As well as being a patient at Ashworth, Ian Brady is also a notorious child murderer — a matter in itself which justifies scrutiny of him in the public interest," the commission said.

Brady's solicitor, Benedict Birnberg, said yesterday: "The case raises in a very stark way the whole issue of the press and privacy for those people who are in the public eye."

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Sketch

Off piste and royally fed up



John Duncan

THERE IS always a sense of trepidation at this time of year. Is it going to be a good 12 months, or will it be even worse than last year? Everyone wants a sign, to the point that missing a bus on January 3 or losing a pool to a total dork after missing a simple black becomes something to make or break a whole year.

tor Parker's inability to guard his own body, let alone the prince's, offered a semblance of news, a break from breathless but lifeless royal copy and more reflections on a revolting year, regally speaking. Not that you could ever blame the journalists involved for that, because if the job of bodyguard is tough, being a royal reporter on the piste must be a nightmare — away in a strange expensive place with two weeks of Christmas parties still working their way slowly out of your liver and not a sniffette of a story. The sort of journalistic Krypton Factor they have to go through was well illustrated by yesterday's "press conference".

Unionists back demand for Sinn Fein boycott with threat to Tory majority

David Sharrock, Ireland Correspondent

JOHN Major was under pressure from the Ulster Unionist Party last night to suspend all contact with Sinn Fein until the IRA halts the renewed murder campaign aimed at alleged drug dealers. The Ulster MPs' demands for tough action on the campaign, which has claimed five lives in as many weeks, comes as suspicions deepen once more over republican commitment to peace — and as Mr Major nurses a wafer-thin majority dependent upon the support of unionists.



Ian Lyons, who died after being shot over an alleged drugs connection, with his son Nathan

SDLP Seamus Mallon, said that while the present situation appeared to be deteriorating he believed that the ceasefires would hold. "I believe there are those within the IRA and other paramilitary organisations who are trying to break the peace," he said. "They are trying to use public executions to impose their will upon the entire community."

But, as with last month's murders, he refused to condemn the killing of Mr Lyons. Later, Mr Lyons' sister Pauline said he was an innocent victim. "What gives murder in cold blood an innocent man who was young and energetic, a highly-talented person on both sides of the community, just to cover up their own illicit dealings?" she asked.

Mr Lyons, considered by police to be an insignificant figure in the world of crime, shot by two gunmen as he left his girlfriend's home on the nationalist Taughnevin estate in Lurgan, Co. Armagh. He died later in hospital.

Post-ceasefire murders



- The victims
1 Mickey Mooney, 34 Shot dead on April 28 in a pub in Belfast city centre.
2 Tony Kane, 29 Shot dead on leaving a funeral in Andersonstown, September 5.
3 Paul Devine, 35 Shot as he left his car, December 8.
4 Francis Collins, 40 Former IRA commander, shot dead in front of his wife at his shop in North Belfast, December 18. Leaves five children.
5 Christopher Johnson, 38 On his way to work, shot dead for allegedly trying to smuggle £250,000 of cannabis into Northern Ireland. Ambushed in the Ormeau Road on December 19. Leaves four children.
6 Martin McCurry, 30 Shot dead as he watched TV at home in West Belfast, December 27.
7 Ian Lyons, 31 January 1. First of the current spate of killings to happen outside Belfast. Lyons was shot in Lurgan, Co. Armagh, as he got into a car.

Book review

Unimportance of not being earnest

Henry Porter

Age and Guile: Best Youth, Innocence and a Best Friend PJ O'Rourke, Picador, £15.99

"THE THING I like about Republicans is that they are no damn good at all. I know, I'm one of them." When I read this in PJ O'Rourke's latest collection of pieces, I began to feel just a little weary. For the best part of 25 years, PJ has been telling us what a liberal-hating bastard he is. By now most of us have got the point. For there is little novelty in the idea of someone who grew his hair long and smoked pot in the '60s turning out to be a conservative.

bulimic blond person with a deviated septum and a severe cognitive disorder who went into broadcasting because he or she was too emotionally disturbed for telephone sales work. Despite the irritating technical references, one cannot deny the ingenuity, but why is it the smile dies so easily on my face? I think it is because PJ O'Rourke never really tells you much about Republicans or TV interviewers or for that matter any of the trouble spots he has visited over the years.

Murky motives for giving drug dealers rough justice

THE reason behind the alarming rise in the murder rate of drug criminals linked to drugs is obvious, according to a senior republican in Belfast: "People don't want what's happened in Dublin to happen here," writes David Sharrock. He was quick to point out that no evidence has been presented which shows that the IRA is behind the killings. Even so, the police, community and church leaders are all agreed that Direct Action Against Drugs, the group which claimed the murder on Monday night of Ian Lyons in Lurgan and several other murders before his, is acting on behalf of the IRA.

trast, cannabis and ecstasy figures were soared. Seizure of the RUC drugs squad, attributes much of this to the fact that his division has increased by 50 per cent in strength this year, a dividend of the ceasefires, with 120 officers concerned with drugs full-time throughout Northern Ireland. In his view both sets of paramilitaries are involved in the drugs trade. "The loyalists tend to be more hands-on while the republicans go in for franchising and licensing of the selling."

ings on the lack of an acceptable police force — is scarcely endorsed on the streets. People want the drugs pushers off their backs, but they want them dealt with by due process of law, not from the barrel of a gun. The sheer rapidity of the slayings also undermines the basis of justification. A number of explanations offer themselves.

President Clinton there was not a single so-called punishment hearing in a record year for such attacks, when loyalists carried out 87 and republicans 175. The dimension which the Mitchell Commission into paramilitary arms has introduced into the peace process also raises some intriguing questions. Could the IRA be engaged in a

final round of settling old scores and stamping its authority on the Catholic community before the "three wise men" make recommendations for advancing the situation? Senator Mitchell, Dublin fervently hopes, is hardly likely to endorse Mr Major's demand for a token handover of IRA weaponry, but he might suggest other ways of proving the repub-

Sainsbury's cuts 'fall short of price war'

Roger Cowe

SAINSBURY'S launched a price promotion campaign yesterday, backed by heavy advertising. But while the move was seen in some quarters as the first step by the company's new marketing director, Kevin McCarten, to restore its fortunes after a year of falling sales, it was dismissed by rivals and industry analysts.

suffer as shoppers have concentrated on low prices, and rivals have matched the chain's traditional strengths in quality and own-label products. Tesco, Sainsbury, Asda and Waitrose have all improved in the past couple of years, tempting away traditional Sainsbury's shoppers. Discounts and special offers will be labelled "Sainsbury's January Savers". The campaign will cover at least 100 lines at a time and will affect the price of more than 300 products during the month.

range of promoted products, saving almost £20 on a £70 shopping basket. In the City, Sainsbury's share price fell by 3p, along with that of other supermarket groups. But analysts poured cold water on City fears of a price war, as happened two years ago. The campaign is seen as a tactical skirmish aimed at promoting a low-price image rather than the first strike in a price war. One analyst predicted that a more substantial battle would erupt in the spring. Jonathan Pritchard of UBS said: "This is an easy time to get some publicity, but this isn't a big move. When they do act it will be a lot bigger than this."

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Trouble brewing... Burst-blighted residents of Ashington, Northumberland, queuing for water from a tanker yesterday in an area with 'critical' problems. PHOTOGRAPH: OWEN HAMPPIREY

MP demands inquiry into water crisis

David Ward
WATER companies yesterday warned of a growing supply crisis, as millions of gallons continued to be lost from pipes fractured during the big thaw.

In Northumberland and Tyneside, Strathclyde, Northern Ireland and parts of Leeds and Greater Manchester, tankers took water to thousands of consumers, while other users — particularly those living on high ground — suffered severe falls in water pressure. Companies said new leaks were appearing as fast as they repaired burst mains. They had been powerless to deal with those in factories, offices and schools shut over the holiday.

John Cuthbert, managing director of North West Water, said: "The situation is now critical. We are putting as much water as possible into the system but until we get on top of our bursts and customers get on top of theirs, we are still losing water."

Problems were worst in Strathclyde, where 500,000 customers were without water, and in the North-east of England where Northumbria Water estimated it was losing 18 million gallons a day, with 250,000 customers cut off from mains supplies.

Andrew Panting, Northumbria's head of public relations, described the situation as "pretty critical", and said bursts had caused an unprecedented drain on supplies. "Some areas have been without water for a couple of days and others are at risk of losing their water as demand increases. We have plenty of water but we cannot get it treated and supplied quick enough to satisfy demand."

Because of shortages in the Ashington area, Northumberland Fire and Rescue has brought in a 5,000-gallon bowser and two 300-gallon appliances in case of a big fire. North West Water is struggling to keep reservoirs filled. "We have the water but these local reservoirs are being drained faster than we can fill them," said a spokesman. "Our managers say they have never seen anything quite like this before."

Howard told of 'lethal' visa ban

Suzanne Goldenberg in New Delhi
SOUTH Asian human rights groups have appealed to Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, to reconsider banning Indian asylum seekers from Britain, saying deportees face arrest and torture on their return.

Ravi Nair, director of the South Asian Human Rights Documentation Centre, said all returnees may face police harassment and extortion, but those with political involvement — especially Sikhs — could face death. "If the deportees have genuine political connections with the Sikh armed opposition or their sympathisers, torture, arrest and detention would be the least he or she would face," Mr Nair said in his letter to Mr Howard.

Dorrell puts social services under review

David Brindle, Social Services Correspondent
REVIEW of social services spending ordered by ministers yesterday will prove that local authorities are underfunded for their growing duties, social services directors believe.

Private care providers are calling for the review to consider stripping local authorities of responsibility for direct care, leaving them instead to be purchasers of services from other bodies. The review was announced by Stephen Dorrell, the Health Secretary, to mark the 25th anniversary this year of modern social services departments. Research cited by the minister has suggested there was a 10 per cent fall in the efficiency of social services during the 1980s.

CPS to rule on action over burglar killed in struggle

Sarah Boseley
A MAN whose struggle with a burglar at his home resulted in the death of the intruder, wept yesterday over the experience which he said he feared would change his life.

Asked what effect the death of Robert Ingham, aged 23, would have on him, Niklos Baungartner, aged 53, said: "I will never be a man again." Derbyshire police released Mr Baungartner after questioning, but a spokeswoman said yesterday the file would be sent to the Crown Prosecution Service, which is usual in cases of death from unnatural causes.

News in brief

Description of Bristol killing suspect issued

POLICE hunting the killers of Evon Berry, aged 37, the Bristol caretaker killed when he tried to stop a street robbery on New Year's Day, have issued a description of the man thought to have shot him.

Boys dies of meningitis

A TWO-year-old boy died of suspected meningitis and three other boys are believed to be suffering from the disease, it was revealed yesterday.

Hospital rejects donation

A RAUNCHY dance troupe which raised almost £500 for one of the world's most famous children's hospitals has been told its donation is not wanted.

Deportation ad attacked

THE Nigerian High Commission in London came under fire from anti-deportation campaigners yesterday over an advertisement which appeared in yesterday's Guardian aimed at discrediting Nigerians seeking asylum in Britain.

JCB driver banned

A MAN who went shopping driving a JCB digger while he was banned from driving was jailed for five months yesterday.

High street passports

TRAVELLERS can apply for passports through high street post offices and travel agents, under Home Office rules that came into force yesterday.

Guardian critic's prize

JAMES Hall, the Guardian's art critic, has won the first Bernard Devrir memorial prize. It goes to the writer judged the outstanding young art critic by the British section of the International Association of Art Critics. Mr Devrir was a former chairman.

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Arthritis doctors take a step forward

Chris Mihill on a medical advance

NEARLY all arthritis patients can be helped with drugs, painkillers or exercise therapy to control their symptoms and a few can be completely cured, researchers said yesterday.

Increasing surgical skills and knowledge meant more joints could be replaced, but the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council hopes new chemical and genetic interventions could prevent the need for surgery.

A report from the council to mark the charity's 60th year strikes an upbeat note about progress against the illness. But specialists cautioned that much remained to be done, and that an increasing elderly population meant a growing burden of pain and disability for which insufficient health service money was being provided.

Paul Dieppe, ARC professor of rheumatology at Bristol university and author of the report, said that 10 per cent of the British population was affected by arthritis, but treatment was improving and a growing scientific understanding of what caused the condition was opening up the possibility of new therapies.

"There are 200 forms of arthritis, but for some forms people can be completely cured. Gout is now effectively curable in nearly every case. It is fair to say that nearly everyone else can be helped greatly by drugs which suppress the disease and therapies to protect joints and keep muscles strong. We are able to achieve good control of symptoms in 50 to 60 per cent of cases, and we can cure perhaps 10 to 20 per cent."



Arthritis victim Jasmine Gardner, 22 months, who helped launch the council's anniversary celebrations with actor Andrew Sachs. PHOTOGRAPH GARRY WEASER

Professor Dieppe told a press conference in London that it was now possible to replace most of the major joints in the body, although with varying degrees of success, but it would be a long time before a neck replacement was possible. Hips had turned out to be the easiest of the joints to replace, but knees, elbows, and finger

joints were regularly replaced, and occasionally shoulders, ankles and toes. Some 50,000 hips and 40,000 knees are replaced each year in Britain.

Professor Dieppe said there was continuing excitement that treatments to interfere with the chemical messengers which go into overdrive to damage joints were living up to their early promise. "We

want to put joint replacement surgeons out of business. We want to get to a position whereby joints don't get smashed up, so there is no need for a replacement."

Pat Froomberg, who holds the record for the person in Britain who has had the most joint replacement operations — eight in all — said that the technology, together with drugs to keep her symptoms

in check, had enabled her to live a normal life, whereas previously she was unable to get out of bed because of the pain.

Mrs Froomberg, aged 64, from Hampstead, north London, has had three knee joint replacements, three elbow replacements, and both hips replaced, as well as joint fusion operations in her wrists and feet.

Police hail drink-drive success

Duncan Campbell Crime Correspondent

THE number of positive breath tests over the Christmas and New Year period fell by 8 per cent, according to figures published yesterday.

The results were hailed as a success for the season's anti-drink drive campaign, and as a sign of the continuing change in attitudes towards drinking and driving.

Positive tests in England and Wales totalled 4,330, compared with 4,706 over the same period last year, according to figures announced by the Association of Chief Police Officers.

But the number of tests carried out by individual forces varied between the two years. In Cleveland, there were 1,080 tests, of which 30 were positive, against 1,475 last year with 58 positive.

David Williams, chief constable of Surrey and the chairman of the ACPO's traffic committee, welcomed the drop but said there was no room for complacency.

"While the overall reduction should be welcomed, it must be treated with a degree of caution, given that 22 per cent of those who gave positive tests had been involved in an accident," said Mr Williams.

"In all there were 839 alcohol-related accidents," he added. "This cannot be acceptable."

Edmund King, head of campaigns for the Royal Automobile Association, said: "Despite the vocal criticisms of

some groups at the launch of the Government's Christmas drink-drive campaign, it has proved to be a great success. Comments that new government guidelines on safe drinking would give out the wrong message have proved to be unfounded."

Andrew Howard, head of road safety at the Automobile Association, said: "For the fourth year running, the number of positive breath tests over the festive season has come down, proving that the 'don't drink and drive' message is finally getting through."

"Britain's drink-drive problem is caused by a small minority of motorists who continue to ignore the legal limit and deliberately flout the law. It is these persistent offenders who need to be targeted, and the Government must keep the pressure on if drinking and driving is to be reduced even further," said Mr Howard.

Despite the fall nationally, there was a big rise in the South-west.

"It does appear there have been people who have decided to take the chance, with the incidents occurring very close to people's homes," said Devon and Cornwall's deputy chief constable, John Albon. "It could well be that the cold weather has made them use the car more often than they might for these short journeys. There is a trend for people to be involved to be middle-aged and middle income, there is no tearaway problem here."

Government must face Iraq arms 'nightmare'

Richard Norton-Taylor on an embarrassing time for ministers and mandarins when the Scott report is finally published



Teddy Taylor... 'I would chuck them in the Thames'

THE Government would not be able to dismiss the "nightmare" of the forthcoming Scott report on arms sales to Iraq, and must fully accept its conclusions, a Tory MP said yesterday.

The warning from Sir Teddy Taylor, the Euro-sceptic and independent-minded MP for Southend East, came as ministers prepare a damage limitation exercise to counter the devastating criticisms in the judge's report, almost certainly to be published next month.

Sir Teddy told BBC Radio 4's Today programme: "The Scott inquiry will be a real nightmare because we all know it's going to say some pretty horrible things... The crucial thing is that if he says something harsh and nasty, we have got to accept it."

"If Scott says Mr A and Mr B made an error of judgment, and a serious error of judgment, I would chuck them in the Thames as quickly as possible," Sir Teddy said.

Dismissive comments about Sir Richard Scott's inquiry doing the rounds in Westminster and Whitehall betray deep anxiety as senior civil servants and ministers brace themselves for his report. Beneath its carefree veneer, Whitehall is aware it will wreck reputations, and, more important in the long run, shake up Britain's entire machinery of government.

Leaked extracts of Sir Richard's draft report accused William Waldegrave, Chief Secretary to the Treasury and

Although the judge may tone down his criticisms, it is believed Mr Waldegrave has not been cleared. Mr Clark and Lord Trevarne will also be criticised. John Major is likely to be given the benefit of the doubt.

Although Mr Major failed to give an accurate account to Parliament about policy towards Iraq, Sir Richard is expected to conclude that he believed his statements to MPs were accurate.

His finger will point to officials in the Foreign Office, the Ministry of Defence and the Department of Trade and Industry, as well as junior ministers, for advising their political masters publicly to maintain the fiction that the Government's policy on arms sales to Iraq had not changed.

Tory MPs seem to be more concerned about the prosecution of three directors of the Matrix Churchill machine tool firm charged with evading export controls. The case against them collapsed after the trial judge overturned Public Interest Immunity certificates designed to prevent crucial evidence of government connivance in the trade.

The four ministers who signed the certificates will escape blame, but Sir Nicholas Lyell, the Attorney General, will be criticised for his handling of the prosecution.

So too will officials across Whitehall who interfered in prosecution witness statements and persuaded DTI officials to give misleading evidence.

Sir Richard heard from 270 witnesses, either verbally or in writing, and was supplied by Whitehall with over 150,000 pages of documents. The Government will contest vigorously that Scott has interpreted the evidence fairly," says a senior Whitehall official. Sir Richard may think the true judge of that should be Parliament and the public.



THERE'S ONLY ONE LOUIS ARMSTRONG.

Firm's £70m deal to run written driving test

DETAILS of the written theory test for learner drivers were released yesterday as a £70 million contract was awarded to run the scheme.

The Driving Standards Authority announced that a newly-formed company, DriveSafe Ltd, had won the five-year contract for the written part of the driving test, which learners will have to sit from July 1 this year as well being

examined on their practical skills.

They will have to answer 35 questions based on the Highway Code and road safety matters and picked from a bank of about 600 questions.

It is still to be decided how many they will have to get right. There will be four types of theory test for learners: one each for motorcycle, car, lorry and bus and coach drivers.

The written test will last about 40 minutes and cover up to 12 topics, including driver attitude, traffic signs, the effects of alcohol, drugs and fatigue and environmental aspects of vehicles.

The fee for this test is expected to be £13 to £15.

After the first six months of its operation, learners will have to pass the written test before being allowed to take the road test.

One of the most recent serial killers, Colin Ireland was so interested in the notion of such killing that he consulted Newsweek to find out how many he had to kill — four as it turned out.
Duncan Campbell

G2 cover story

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Burundi 'on the brink of collapse'

Chris McGreal in Johannesburg

BURUNDI'S president, Sylvestre Ntibunganya, has blamed saboteurs within the government and army extremists for dragging the country to the brink of total collapse through civil war and ethnic cleansing.

particularity to the paralysing approach of confrontation and destruction. It is by this path that peace can be attained. But while the president has stated more clearly than before the true nature of Burundi's crisis, he is powerless to rein in those responsible.

Hong Kong police believe extradition of an ex-employee from US would help smash smuggling ring

BAT plots China offensive

Andrew Higgins in Hong Kong and Leonard Doyle

SENIOR executives of the cigarette multinational British-American Tobacco will gather in Hong Kong today to plot Project Battalion, the code-name for a new corporate strategy targeted at China and other emerging markets.

ers, particularly the 450 million in China, to BAT's earnings. At the centre of BAT's Asian strategy is the future of its state-of-the-art Southampton plant analysts say is geared almost exclusively to the production of premium cigarettes for the Chinese market.

through which its own and other foreign cigarettes flow in abundance into China once they have passed out of the cigarette companies' hands. As well as being a big source of profits, however, Asia has also given the company one of its biggest headaches — allegations that for-

ordinate promotion and sales of global brands such as State Express 855, Mao Zedong's favourite cigarette and now popular with millions of Chinese. BAT industries has embarked on a large-scale reorganisation of its tobacco business. Starting this month, a new company, British-

health concerns that have dented profits in the West. In a sign of the importance BAT attaches to China, Martin Broughton, the group chief executive at BAT Industries, is attending it, along with other senior managers. Laura Knight, senior corporate affairs manager for BAT in Hong Kong, said he would be discussing the new structure of the company for the Asian market and its sales strategy.

1991 to 1993. He was taken into custody at Boston airport after a joint operation by the FBI and Hong Kong's ICAC. The ICAC wants Mr Lui extradited to answer accusations that, unknown to BAT, he took HK\$25 million (£2.1 million) in bribes from cigarette traffickers. After leaving BAT in 1993, Mr Lui joined the traffickers himself, working for a syndicate in the Philippines.

Contraband cigarette sales in Beijing provide a big proportion of world profits

mer BAT executives in Hong Kong took bribes from a smuggling syndicate. Today's meeting coincides with efforts by the colony's Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) to extradite a former Hong Kong-based BAT manager from the United States.

American Tobacco (Holdings) Ltd, assumes overall control. Foreign tobacco companies now provide no more than 4 per cent of the 1,700 billion cigarettes smoked annually in China. Today's meeting will explore ways to boost BAT's share in this and other emerging markets, so far largely unaffected by the

Thanks in part to strong performance in Asia, the firm's fastest-growing export market, BAT last year raised its share of the world tobacco business to 10.6 per cent. The latest episode in a long saga illustrating the murky side of the cigarette trade started on December 20 with the arrest in Boston of Jerry Lui, BAT's commercial director in Hong Kong from

Civil war claims more than 1,000 lives a month, says Amnesty

will fall under the dictatorship of extremists and the perpetrators of genocide," he said. But last month Amnesty International attributed the bulk of the killings to the army, and blamed Mr Nduwayo's administration for failing to control it.

But the president's most significant criticism was of those responsible for "confrontation and destruction" within the government and "undisciplined elements" in the Tutsi-dominated army. Although free elections in 1993 theoretically ended Tutsi political domination, an elite among the minority has continued to frustrate a shift of power to Hutus. It began with the army's assassination of Burundi's first Hutu president, which set the civil war in motion. It has continued with Tutsi hardliners generating a series of paralysing political crises while the military conducts a vicious ethnic cleansing of Hutus from the capital, Bujumbura, and other areas under the guise of combating anti-Tutsi militias.



Wreck on the highway... A mother and her baby stop at the roadside near Sonota, northern Mexico, to look at the wreckage of a head-on bus collision which occurred on New Year's Day. Twenty-six people, including six children, died in the crash and 24 were injured. Police speculate that one of the drivers fell asleep. PHOTOGRAPH: LINDA SEEGER SALAZAR

Poor stay cold in Kobe's ashes

Kevin Rafferty on the plight of those who suffered most in last year's quake

SUPERFICIALLY Kobe is back on its feet again, almost a year after the earthquake which smashed the world's fifth biggest port and set off fires that burned its poorer areas to ashes. The glittering shops and designer boutiques of the Sannomiya district look as exclusive and expensive as ever. The port won an international award for the speed with which it got back to business.

their last journey — mixed up with shoes, shirts and toys which somehow escaped the fire. Most of it is still bare, but a couple of solid new houses have been built by rich people. Red pegs mark out plots, and one family has left its dog chained to its kennel to ward off intruders. The real battles are beginning, Fr Kanda says. New city regulations requiring parks and wider roads to act as fire-breaks will deny 10 per cent of the land to housing.

Opium warlord's highland den falls to Burmese army assault

Nick Cunningham-Bruce in Bangkok

OPIMUM warlord Khun Sa's standing as the kingpin of Burma's mountainous north-eastern drug belt suffered a heavy blow as his headquarters on the border with Thailand fell to Burmese troops without resistance.

nic minorities, notably the Wa, who are engaged in their own battles for territory and control of the drug trade. As a result, drugs intelligence officers and diplomats in Rangoon and Bangkok harbour no illusion that Khun Sa's defeat will have any impact for the foreseeable future on the flow of narcotics from the Golden Triangle, spanning Burma, Laos and Thailand, and reckoned to supply 60 per cent of the heroin reaching the United States.

throughout the rainy season months in the latter half of 1995, when intelligence reports suggested up to 10,000 Burmese troops had gathered around the MTA base. In the end, Homong's fall to Burmese troops followed rumours of clandestine contacts with Khun Sa himself, prompting one Rangoon-based diplomat to describe it as "a negotiated takeover".

lysts estimated he spent \$5 million a month on his army. But any US satisfaction at his declining fortunes will be offset by the knowledge that his place has been taken by another generation of drug barons. Khun Sa's prospects were clearly on the wane when he announced his "retirement" last November after a rift in the MTA between ethnic Chinese and Shan leaders led to a walkout by at least 1,000 men. Rangoon had for some time exploited Thai leaders' growing interest in the business opportunities emerging in Burma to put pressure on Bangkok authorities to shut down what has been Khun Sa's main supply routes.

News in brief

Youths held 'illegally'

PALESTINIAN youths are being held with adults in Israeli military jails in violation of international laws stipulating separate accommodation, a children's rights group said yesterday. Philip Veerman of Defence for Children International in Geneva said at least 25 Palestinians under 18 were being held as adults in the Ketzioth prison in southern Israel.

Monarchs hit by heavy snow

HEAVY snows in the main sanctuaries of the monarch butterfly in central Mexico have killed millions of the distinctive orange and black insects. The weather may have killed between 30 and 50 per cent of the delicate butterflies in certain areas. "The butterflies are very vulnerable. Up to half of them may have been killed," said Homero Aridjis, president of the Group of 100, Mexico's main environmental group.

Algerian rebel surrenders

The second-ranking leader of an Algerian militant armed group has turned himself in to authorities, according to a statement released yesterday by security services.

Costa Rica kidnap

Heavily armed gunmen stormed a hotel in northern Costa Rica and abducted two European women into nearby mountains, the government said yesterday. — Reuters.

Nigerians freed

Nigeria's military authorities freed six political detainees on New Year's Day, local newspapers and the News Agency of Nigeria said yesterday. Among those released was the former leader of the oil union Nupeng. — Reuters.

Out of Rwanda

Aid workers said yesterday Rwandan authorities had expelled all staff of the French wing of Médecins Sans Frontières last week and confiscated some vehicles. — Reuters.

Bloody new year

Ninety-seven people were killed in car accidents and acts of violence across Colombia over the New Year holiday, a local newspaper said yesterday. — Reuters.

Frozen stiff

A 73-year-old Canadian who believed his winter swims brought vigour to his life collapsed and died minutes after taking his annual New Year's Day plunge. — AP.

States vie for control of Ellis Island

Ian Katz in New York

TO THE millions of immigrants who disembarked there after fleeing the Old World, it did not matter much which state owned Ellis Island: it was simply America, land of the free.

surprising that the ownership is contestable. Ellis Island lies just north of the Statue of Liberty, easily on New Jersey's side of the line down the middle of the Hudson River which separates the two states.

New York, which currently controls Ellis Island, views New Jersey's claim as the thin end of the wedge. "They are creeping up," said Judith Kramer, the state lawyer representing New York's interests. "Next they'll want the Empire State Building."

Both states have assembled mountains of historical evidence to back up their claims. New York submitted a 1776 map published in London which shows the island within its boundaries. New Jersey hit back with US war department charts referring to "Ellis Island, New Jersey". At stake are hundreds of thousands of dollars in revenue from visitors to the island's immigration mu-

theObserver 10p this Sunday See TheGuardian on Saturday for details

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Let the voters decide

Ms Nicholson's duty is greater than Mr Major's

THE NEW Liberal Democrat MP for Devon West and Torridge is wrong to regard a byelection in her West Country seat as a waste of public funds.

either that opponents of the Conservatives are bursting for the moment when they are finally forced out. It can't come too soon. But, sadly, this does not mean that we will get the election.

There ought to be no ducking the fact that when a politician stands for election under one banner and then switches allegiance to another, then the electorate has to some extent been taken for a ride.

It is also important to say that the loss of an overall Commons majority — if and when it does take place — ought not in itself to be a sufficient reason for a government to resign.

However the argument for an early encounter with the voters does not unroll quite so seamlessly in the case of the government as a whole.

Given its own history in government, Labour needs to beware of claiming that minority administrations are illegitimate. They are very often a truer reflection of the mood of the country than politicians might lead us to suppose.

A mellow hint for Hong Kong

Mr Rifkind's clout may rise as his bargaining power falls

A NEW DAWN in relations between China and Britain has been offered by Beijing: Malcolm Rifkind, on his way there next week, will have more modest expectations.

If not all of the current LegCo will be chosen for the post-handover body. That seems unlikely since the Preparatory Committee does not contain even a token number of members of the majority Democratic Party.

Mr Rifkind found himself wrong-footed on the subject in October when the Chinese foreign minister Qian Qichen visited London.

This tough posture seems to reflect internal high-level tensions as Beijing waits for its current great leader to pass away.

Ticket to be taken for a ride

One sure way forward for the railways: drop privatisation

THE SURVEY by the Consumers' Association into the ticketing practices of the new train companies is so damning it ought to sound the death knell for privatisation.

Remember, this is the privatisation that hardly anyone wanted. The Government tried to justify its Kafkaesque break up of a unified railway system into 70 different units, including 25 separate train companies competing against each other.



Letters to the Editor

Hitch-hiking: is it safe?

IT WOULD be a very sad day when no one dares to thumb a lift (Search for Céline reveals the end of the road for hitchhiking, December 30).

chance to interview? Middle England with their car outside their semi? I can find you 50 people who cannot afford a train fare, let alone a car, just in my neighbourhood.

I find your statistic of only one in 50 people having hitched hard to believe — I don't know anyone of my age group (mid-20s) who has not at some point hitched.

HITCHED for years and have picked up males and females of all ages, never having any trouble at all and often meeting very nice and interesting people.

I AM a hitcher and a woman. I hitchhike because I love the cold, wet, windy hard shoulders of roads, and the thrill of fearing for my life.

ON the day you reported the discovery of Céline Figard's murdered body, was it really necessary to illustrate a piece on the censorship of pornography on the Internet with a woman lying bound and gagged?

THE number of hitchhikers has declined since the 1970s, but is showing something of a resurgence thanks largely to the environmental movement and DIY counter-culture of the 1990s.

Does this really bound and gagged? It's not that I can't tell the difference between image and reality, but rather than gratuitous, stylised images of female helplessness and degradation I would prefer to be confronted with photos showing the brutal reality of what happened to Céline Figard.

What 50 people did you

human beings.

Railroaded

THE shape of things to come is often a reflection of times past. In Roy Jenkins's recent book on the rail industry we read of a rail journey from Euston to Laurencekirk made by "Victorian politics" swooping eagle. Noted Gladstone: "Notwithstanding precautions and assurances, I had to pay in five parts and to make three handovers of my baggage."

I AM appalled by your decision to accept an advertisement on behalf of the murderous regime in Nigeria, seeking to malign those who are persecuted both by themselves and by their counterparts in Britain.



Pulp and the patriarchy thing

SUZANNE MOORE'S clarity of thought is being clouded by her crush on "sex insect" Jarvis Cocker of Pulp (Triumph of the nerd genius, December 28).

Those skeletons in the Cabinet

NEW Year's Day is always brightened by revelations from 30 years ago and 1996 was no exception (Attack on Rhodesia vetoed, January 1).

THE president of the Royal Society, Sir Michael Atiyah, recently declared that history would show that the insistence on a UK nuclear capability was "fundamentally misguided, a total waste of resources and a significant factor in our relative economic decline."

Other 30 years we wait on: politicians are willing to lead, rather than follow, a public opinion which has been so profoundly misinformed on nuclear-weapon issues? Bruce Kent, Vice President, Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, 162 Holloway Road, London N7 8DQ.

Nicholson and the triumph of principle over party politics

ROY Hattersley sees deflection to party politics (Dancing to the same tune at a different party, January 1). Well, many might think that this was not a moment too soon.

The nature of our system means that individuals have to take the bad with the good in the political package a party offers.

Thus Emma Nicholson, seeing her party drift from the fanatical right and away from the principles she believes in, makes the very short political trip to the Lib Dems.

Unlike Hattersley, I do not fear the weakening of the party's political machine. Doubtless he would argue that it has given us "strong" government, but it has also given us 17 years of "one-party dictatorship" with disastrous policies such as the poll tax.

We need more principled, free-thinking politicians who act in accordance with their constituents' needs and not the demands of the party whips.

M J Downes, Ryston, Wheeler Lane, Witley, Godalming, Surrey GU8 5QT.

IF MORE Conservative MPs had consulted their consciences, the country would have been saved from such iniquitous policies as railway privatisation.

As Lord Weatherill pointed out (House of Lords, December 28) it is Parliament's job to curb governments and up to MPs to put the interests of the country above those of the party. These are the principles on which democracy depends and they transcend the party system.

IF THE Liberal Democrats think that Emma Nicholson's defection makes Torridge and West Devon even more winnable, they have not been thinking clearly; they will now lose the Labour tactical vote upon which they have always relied.

In the past, when meeting Labour supporters on the doorstep, Liberal Democrats have claimed: "We're Labour really." Now, because of Ms Nicholson's track record in Parliament, her new political colleagues will be perceived as being "really Tory".

With a Labour government, Emma's new party will sit on the opposition benches with the Tories and further marginalise the West Country as Liberal Democrat MPs have failed to achieve anything for this area.

Why I turned down a CBE

HAVING myself declined a CBE, I still respect Claire Rayner's "wavering acceptance" of her New Year Honour (Dear agency aunt, January 1). Like her, I want to help build a society which people want to be part of because they can take pride and pleasure in it.

A Country Diary

THE WREKIN: High above the Wrekin's western flank a raven calls into the bright cold air. Her voice is clear and evocative, marking out the boundaries of a world which knows nothing of frozen post-Christmas shopping.

service rendered — as assessed by senior civil servants? This year, as usual, the lowest awards include craftsmen and gardeners; one or two steps up again for top civil servants, junior politicians and professors; yet some of the highest awards are for making money. We should retain the Order of Merit, expanded to include up to 50 women and men whose distinguished achievements have demonstrably benefited humanity.

For the rest I would favour a single designation — perhaps the Westminster Commendation. Gordon McGregor, Emeritus Prof of Education, University of Leeds, High Street, Selsey, W Sussex PO20 0RD.

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City curbs utilities' leaks

Insider dealing targeted by new code of conduct

THE Stock Exchange yesterday tried to close the door on leaks of price-sensitive information from the privatised utilities...

of price-sensitive information may, in some circumstances, lead to insider dealing. But one of its main criticisms is that regulators may still issue information to companies it monitors up to 24 hours in advance...



copies are kept under wraps until the close of the market on the preceding day. Under the new guidelines, regulators are being asked to keep lists of people to whom the information has been shown in advance...

and at stopping potential insider dealing. Richard Kilsby, the Exchange's director of market services, said: "Our concern is to preserve London's reputation for maintaining fair and orderly markets..."

Notebook

Record sales talk has ring of truth



Edited by Mark Milner

T O PARAPHRASE Mark Twain, the death of the consumer has been greatly exaggerated. Far from Christmas being the harbinger of recession...

Predator Granada cries 'quick fix' at £800m share buy-back plan launched on Day 39

Forte defence centres on 'aggressive' hotels strategy

FORTE yesterday played its last card in the fight for a £1.8 billion hostile bid, promising shareholders a multi-million-pound loyalty package. The hotels-to-motorway services group announced a bigger-than-expected 2800 million share buy-back plan...



Roaring for Fortes... Sir Rocco Forte (centre) and other board members launching their second defence document in reply to Granada's hostile bid yesterday

Ritzy or cheap, it's hotel-value hell

Accuracy in valuation is a bit of a myth, argues ROGER COWE; a hotel is worth what the buyer will pay. Clearly, that must be based on the profit or cash flow which the hotel can be expected to generate...

capitalisation factor is in part judgmental and must reflect the valuer's perception of the risk or security associated with the hotel and its profit potential. The accountants prefer the more complex and more scientific approach of using a discounted-cash flow method...

AT&T puts cost of break-up at \$6bn and 40,000 jobs

AT&T is separating into three groups: telecoms services, systems and technology, and computing. The services division is set to shed 17,000 jobs bringing the workforce down to 110,000...

- The story so far... Nov 22: Granada launches shock £3.4 billion bid for Forte, as predicted in that morning's Guardian. Nov 23: Sir Rocco Forte says Granada's Gerry Robinson is building a "sprawling conglomerate".

The developing plot... Jan 9: Granada has until today to increase its offer. Jan 23: Bid period ends under takeover rules - a winner and loser will emerge.



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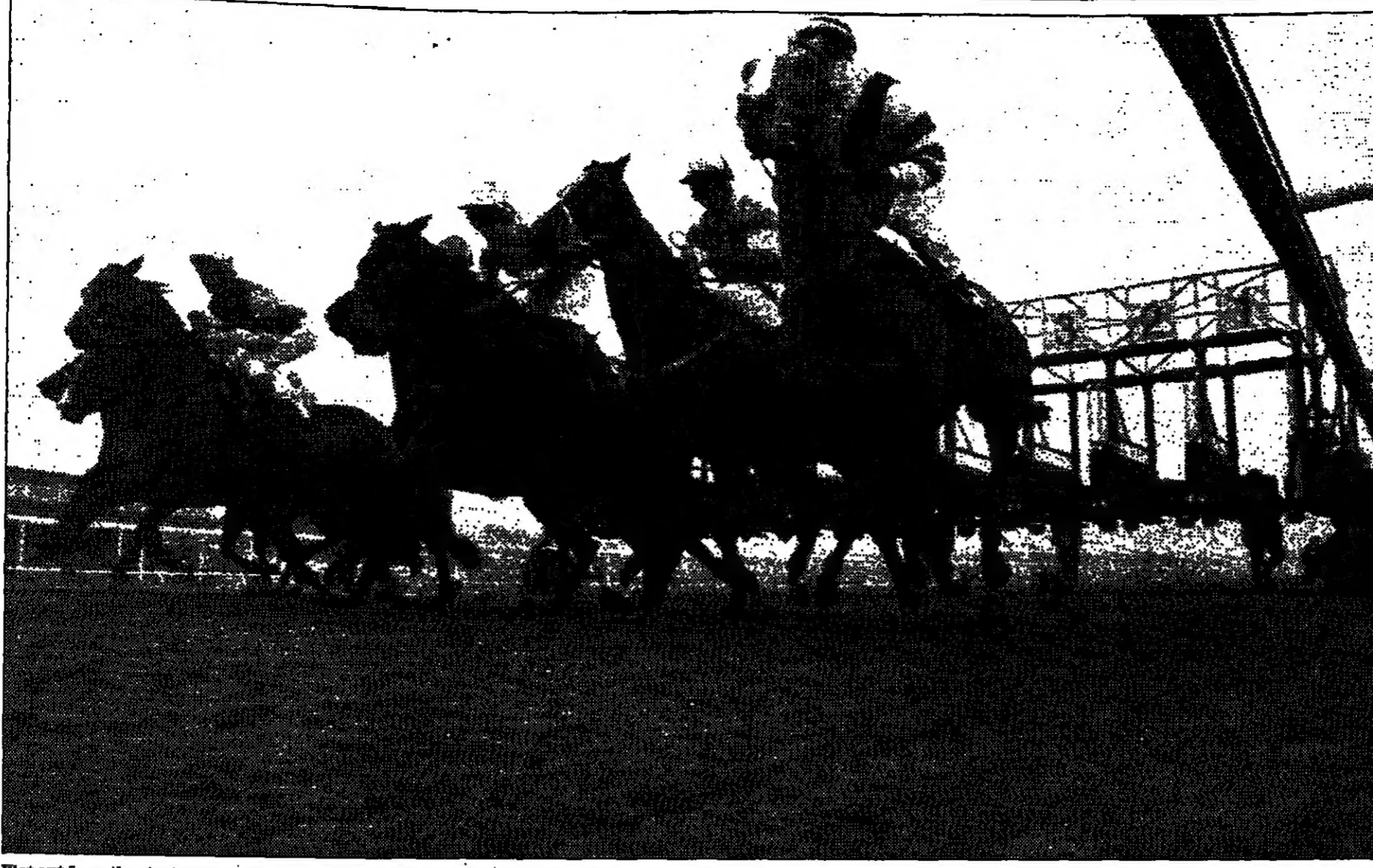
Golf Olazabal ready to stick toe in the water

David Davies on a cautious return for the Spanish Master

JOSE-MARIA Olazabal, the last European to win a major championship - the US Masters in April 1994 - is to restart his injury-affected career by playing in Singapore and Perth, Western Australia this month...

There has been no change at the week before the Ryder Cup at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, New York. It is hoped that they will ease the pressure on the Spaniard's foot while walking...

When he told me he wanted to play in these events, I said to him, 'But it is against your religion to play in Euro-'



PHOTOGRAPH: FRANK BARNON

Flat out from the start... runners get away to a level break in the Keats Handicap at Lingfield yesterday

Dreaper eyes cheap trip for Merry Gale

Graham Rick

MERRY GALE is a significant step closer to taking his chance in the King George VI Triplemint Chase at Sandown on Saturday.

the option." In the summer it is quite common for horses to travel between England and Ireland by horsebox and ferry...

the ground at Sandown and the Surrey course today, and some potentially useful horses line up for the Sevenoaks Handicap...

and won on his chasing debut at Exeter three weeks ago. He is best on a sound surface.

good second to Monday's Exeter winner Challenger Du Lac at Cheltenham in March.

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Cochrane starts with 24-1 double

RAY COCHRANE celebrated with a winner in the first Flat race of the year at Lingfield yesterday when scoring on Wottashambles...

race on December 2. He said: "At the time I thought I had broken my leg in three places but it turned out not to be as bad as I thought."

the winner, a 4-1 shot backed from 6-1, is trained by Les Montague Hall, who said: "This chap was my first success as a trainer last year when he won a boys' race at Cheltenham."

Wordsworth Limited Stakes, leading practically on the line to beat Posen Gold by a short head.

King's Gold was comfortably defeated by Master Bevelled at Windsor last time and more danger may come from Myrcine Jade, who had shown ability in bumpers before falling at the first on his hurdling debut here last month.

Robbie Regan has been reinstated as International Boxing Federation flyweight champion.

Wolverhampton all-weather card with form guide

Table with columns for race number, race name, distance, and a list of horses with their jockeys and trainers. Includes races like 1.05 Latcham, 1.35 NOWAN HANDICAP, 2.05 ALEXANDER'S HANDICAP, 3.35 ALEXANDER'S HANDICAP, 4.05 LATCHAM, 4.35 NOWAN HANDICAP, 5.05 ALEXANDER'S HANDICAP, 6.35 ALEXANDER'S HANDICAP, 7.05 LATCHAM, 7.35 NOWAN HANDICAP, 8.05 ALEXANDER'S HANDICAP, 9.35 ALEXANDER'S HANDICAP.

Lingfield runners and riders

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